Dear Parents and Students:

Our school library is always ready for a year of reading magic. The bookshelves are filled with many new and wonderful titles. We have picture books, beginner readers, chapter books, non-fiction titles on all sorts of topics, along with many other resources. Your child has a regularly scheduled visit to the library once a week. Students in the upper grades visit more frequently, especially when needing various types of research for their projects. During library classes we will read together, learn about different themes, (some silly and some serious), do crafts, have book hunts, and learn just how the library works.

We will discover how to find materials in the library using the computer catalog and the Dewey Decimal system. Our library has a broad selection of books appropriate for readers (and pre-readers) of all levels. Some of these books focus on topics that pertain to cultural and social issues such as holiday celebrations, divorce, adoption, adolescence/puberty, and other similar content areas. Please note that all of our books have been determined to be age appropriate for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

If, however, you are uncomfortable about your child borrowing books related to a certain topic, please contact the librarian at 706-737-7262, or you may contact your child’s teacher and discuss this issue with them. You are also welcome to come visit the library during school time. If a child loses a book, borrowing privileges could be suspended until the matter is settled.

Below are some helpful hints for raising a terrific reader:

• Read to your child

• Let them see you reading

• Take them to the public library for a free library card

• Talk about books together

• Let your child read to you

• Pick a family story and have everyone read it together

• Visit the library often—and take out books!!

Please see our website at http://www.rcboe.org/lamar and click on media center. This will allow you to view our district library catalog and many other research tools for your children to utilize. Library information is also posted there along with the summer reading packets. I look forward to teaching and working with your wonderfully enthusiastic children.

Thank you for all of your support.

Sincerely,

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